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EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER

# **5 MORE BARNS** FIRED IN NIGHT BY ARMED GANG

Incendiaries in Limousine Battle With Employes of Gulph Mills Golf Club

\$100,000 LOSS CAUSED BY LATEST ARSON WORK

Firebugs Shoot From Behind Hazards on Links Near Conshohocken at Pursuers

BLAZE AT NORMAL SCHOOL

Three Men in Closed Car Responsible for 36 Blazes in Three Counties Recently

### Klan Cross Linked With Barn Burning

Residents of Norriton Township. near Norristown, today commented on the fact that a great white Ku Klux cross was burned in a field opposite the St. Ignatius House, where a barn was destroyed by fire last night. The burning of the

ross occurred two months ago. Thomas J. Furley, superintendent of the institution, also commented on the burning of the cross, but said that no threats had been re-ceived from the Ku Klux Klan.

Torches were applied to five barns in Chester and Montgomery Counties by firebugs last night and early this morning. All were burned to the ground at a total loss of approximately

At one barn the incendiaries were discovered in the act of applying their torch and engaged in a gun fight. They escaped. Later in the night they were men to flee from another barn which had been fired, and State police are of ing false pretense and one alleging conthe opinion that all of the seven barns were fired by them.

The first of the fires occurred at the Gulph Mills Golf Club, near Con-the Gulph Mills Golf Club, near Con-ant District Attorney Kelly moved for shohocken. At 3 o'clock this morning that hour two barns at Perkiomen Junction and East Norriton were in flames. Other barns burned during night were at Wyndmoor and at West Chester. At the later place the barn of the State Normal School was destroyed. Two false plarms turned in during the fires from Eagleville and Lansdale added to

# Battle on Golf Links

The first close glimpse of the fireuzs, who have terrorized farmers of Chester. Montgomery and Delaware them. Counties by berning thirty-eight barns. The since early in October, was had last Negro. They are two white men and a ling at 4316 Chestnut street.

Negro. They travel in a limousine.

George Peters, golf professional at the club; George Mathis, steward, and ried almost to death, but now I am "How "How John Taylor, caddy master, engaged in borry beyond words. He is all I have was in a quarrelsome mood?" ook shelter behind the bazard at the vay on the Gulph Mills golf 7 HURT IN ATTEMPT

until their Negro chauffeur maneuvered the automobile into a position where ther could escape to it wife of the professional player, heard the firebuzs' machine Two Nuns Among injured when drive up to the barn and informed her Doylestown Man's Car Rams Pole He hurried to the barn with

a shotgun he had purchased only yes. five years old, 193 South Oak'and avedown the ladder from the hayloft. One the Negro, jumped into the automobile and drave of without waiting for his companions. Peters fixed both barrels of his shotgun at the other two. They Mathis and Taylor heard the shots ran toward the gelf course. and joined the chase. Both were armed

# Firebugs Escape Shot

They saw the two men running across the course and fired several shots. At the seventh fairway the firebuggot behind the bazard, which is somewhat similar to a trench, and returned the fire of their pursuers. Meanwhile automobile had been driven on a road close to the fairway and stopped. the direction of Consholocken.

Loss by the burning of the golf club barn is placed at \$20,000. Livestock was rescued, but many valuable mowers and other imp'events, used to keep the course in condition, were destroyed, slong with a large quantity of expen-

Testerday morning are being held for investigation in connection with values barn fires. They were appears as held results about 11 o'clock last night. a charge of stealing chickens, but State police believe they may have had a say Burgo had been constantly quar-hand in some of the recent fires. They reling for some time. Burgo, they said, are John Boroff and Jack Zuz, both of Chester County. Magistrate Williams the murder is supposed to have been held them in \$2500 ball cach for a committed. The authorities are not sat-Continued on Page Nineteen. Column Four

# An Ambassador

# Writes a Novel

Some one once remarked that the best fiction was written by diplomats! Be that as it may, some fiction writers have been good diplomats. One of these is

Richard Washburn Child Ambassador at Rome and United

States official observer at the Lausanne Conference, who has

# The Vanishing Men"

A novel of mystery and romance. It will appear in

# Elman Romance Ends POWELL 'HOWLED JUST LIKE A DOG,' CONVICTS TESTIFY

MISS MILDRED STONE

Mischa Elman's "ideal girl" will not be married to the violinist. Their recent betrothal has been

Freed of Five Remaining

Charges

The former partners in Chandler

Chandler and Mendenhall were in

An attempt of Walter Beck, thirty-

nue. Doylestown, to avoid striking a

ter and George Beck, his sons; Mary, a cusities, and two nuns, Sister Del

Road Not Far From Home

Butler, N. J., Dec. 19.-(By A. P.)

isfied with his stories, they say.

AIR MAIL PILOT FOUND

Snowbound at Utah Ranch Since

Rock Springs, Wyo., has been found alive and well at the Rigby ranch, four miles southeast of where his wrecked

Beck's automobile.

Rosa and Sister Huberta.

treated for minor cuts.

daughter were cut and bruised.

pending against them.

iberation.

nmates of Trenton Prison Declare Brunen Slayer Acted 4s Though He Was Insane

WERE WITH HIM IN JAIL AT MOUNT HOLLY

Prosecutor Kelsey Scored by Judge for Method of Cross-**Examining Widow** 

Charles M. Powell, confessed murderer of "Honest John" Brunen and ccuser of Harry C. Mehr and the latter's sister, Mrs. Doris Brunen, acted like au insane man when in his cell. according to five convicts who testified for the defense today in the Brunen trial at Mount Holly.

entences, two of which are for murfrom Trenton today .. They had been nmates of the Mount Holly jail with Powell about the time he confessed to having murdered Brunen at Riverside March 10 last.

March 10 last.
The convicts testified that Powell frequently had "howled like a dog," and had cried out during night after night, "Come and get me, John Brunen." and Don't beat me with that stick."

Promised Christmas With Baby Broker and Mendenhall Are who is serving a torse L. Swanson, who is serving a term for robbery in the Rahway Reformatory, was brought into court some time later and testi-fied Powell had told him he was prom-ised his freedom for "sticking to his story."

MOTHER IS THANKFUL

The Commonwealth gave Fred T.
Chandler, Jr., and Earl Mendenball, bankrupt brokers, a Christmas gift today by freeing them from all charges

ised his freedom for strength of the story."

"One day," said Swanson, "while 1 was in the jail at ount Holly Powell came up smiling and said, 'I've got a new baby boy.' I said, 'Wouldn't you like to spend Christmas at home with your baby?' And he answered, 'Ellis Parker has told me that I will spend Christmas home with my baby if I don't break down and stick to my story.'

Brothers & Co., wheih failed for several igorous dissent. Other defense witnesses of the mornmillion dollars, had been tried twice and acquitted. Four indictments charging false pretense and one alleging conspiracy to cheat and defraud still hung over them.

Ing testified that John Brunen had many enemies, and that because of his barshness. Hazel Brunen, his daughter, expressed her relief at his death. She was a Commonwealth witness last

Mrs, Brunen on Stand Two Hours The testimony of the convicts from notice pressing the five indictments, The Trenton followed the cross-examination motion was granted at once.

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This action, District Attorney Rotan explained later, was taken because the private prosecutors have been unwilling to proceed and because the acquittals were returned by juries after brief deliberation.

Trenton followed the cross-examination at the hands of Jonathan Kelsey, County Prosecutor, of Mrs. Brunen, the murdered man's widow. She was on the stand about two hours in all, most of the time being spent late yesterday afternoon in her direct examina-

The quashing of the indictments deshed no tears. Justice Kalisch evinced A. Mendenhall, with whom he is livthe cross-examination, and several times came to the aid of the witness.

Mr. Kelaey. "He would drink and lie Jown." said Mrs. Brunen.
"You said you worked thirteen years like a dog to cook for twenty-five roughnecks, and the work made Hazel ill. Is that right?" "Yes, and after 3 SA TO AVOID HITTING DOG TO

### Centinued on Page Nineteen, Column One 'WALLY' REID BETTER: TAKES NOURISHMENT

above Willow Grove last night resulted Movie Actor's Temperature Nearly Normal and Pulse Drops

tricated by passersby and taken to the Abington Hospital. Mrs. Beck and her able to take a little nourishment. were discharged after being followed his abandonment of the use of WIFE SLAIN, HUSBAND HELD fluenza.

The Methodist Preachers' Associa-The men escaped to it and sped away in Jersey Woman's Body Found in tion of Southern California planned to ask the City Council today to appoint the Admore Tea Company. The entire a commission of men and women to stock was destroyed. The damage will TURKS MAY GET PACT Butler, N. J., Dec. 19.—(By A. P.) make a thorough investigation of the The body of Mrs. Mary Burgo, of use of habit-forming drugs in Los An-

Butler, was found this morning lying geles, alongside a road about 1500 feet from home. Her clothes were torn and it was stated: 'It is persistently had been beaten about the head and rumored that the names of some of the highest producers and according to Charles Burgo, her husband, is being plight. These stories are either false eld pending an investigation. County or true. The cinema industry is either beteetive Brennan and Prosecutor Mills infested with an immoral element that Detective Brennan and Prosecutor Mills threatens the industry, good morals and decency in our city and Nation and this city's good name, or else it has been and is being maligned at slandered in an unthinkable manner. The association asked the appointment of a commission with "power and authority to summon witnesses, administer oaths and take evidence, to the

# end that the truth may be known." Friday, When Plane Fell in Blizzard MOTHER RESCUES BABY Salt Lake City, Dec. 19.—(By A. P.)—Air Mail Pilot Henry G. Boonstra, missing since last Friday, when he became lost in a blizzard en route to

Carries Child Out of Burning Room

After It Starts Fire

Rock Springs, Wyo., has been found alive and well at the Rigby ranch, four miles southeast of where his wrecked plane was discovered yesterday, according to advices received by air mail officials here today.

Boonstra said he was unable to get away from the Rigby ranch because of the deep snow.

The ranch has no telephone service and Boonstra was awaiting better notify his superiors.

The mother ran into the coing downstairs. It was burned but not seriously.

After it details to the four and well at the Rigby ranch, four was discovered player and southeast of which started in the child's crib ni her home at 1312 South Eighteenth street at 11 o'clock this morning.

The mother had gone into another room, leaving her daughter playing in her crib in a second-story bedroom, when she was attracted by the little girl's screams. The child had been playing with matches and ignited her crib. The mother ran into the room chancellor emeritus of Stanford Unitary three months in Japan.

DO YOU WANT A USED AUTOMOBILET Was burned but not seriously.

Mrs. Smith summoned firemen who APARTMENTS TO SUIT EVERY PURSE

**Birthday Divorce** 



GLADYS COOPER England's most beautiful footlight queen, received a decree of divorce from Captain Herbert Buckmaster. polo player, as a birthday present yest-rdy—her thirty-third anni-versary. Statutory desertion and misconduct were alleged and the suit was undefended

### The five men, all of them serving long 2 AUTOS AND TROLLEY der, were brought under heavy guard IN CHESTNUT ST. CRASH

Lunch-Hour Crowds See Young Woman's Sedan in Bad Mix-Up A triple collision involving a trolley car and two automobiles blocked traffic on Chestnut street below Fifteenth for fifteen minutes today during the lunchhour period.

No one was injured, although the autos were badly damaged. Miss Lydia Williamson, 4711 Pulaski avenue, was moving her sedan from a line of cars on the South side of the street to the tro ley track when a Route No. 13 car crashed against the rear of the auto. One wheel was wrenched off the motor, which was turned about and collided with a car owned by the Philadelphia Electric Company, which was

The electric company car also dropped Efforts to move the sedan from the

Detective Parker, sitting inside the apart.

Miss Williamson stuck to her post

### STATE STUDENT'S AUTO KILLS LANSDALE MAN

J. Howard Moore, sixty-five years old, of Lansdaic, formerly connected with a Germantown tile manufacturing concern, was killed at 11 o'clock last night by an automobile driven by New-ton Freed, of North Wales. ton Freed, of North Wales.

Freed arrived home Friday from ency is not toward greater co-operation

liberation.

"This office feels that to prosecute them further would be more in the nature of persecution." said Mr. Rotan.

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Mrs. Brunen's cross-examination wife whom he had met near the Lanscalle wife whom he had met near the Lanscalle trolley station. She was not ininstead of law enforcement you have appeals to the conscience of the people.

Instead of law enforcement you have appeals to the conscience of the people and calls to the State Governors for th lights from a passing machine.

# 3 SAVED IN \$8000 FIRE

30 to 112. They added that Reid was oble to take a little nourishment.

The physicians said Reid's decline ollowed his abandonment of the use of clause and liquor, but the specific aildrugs and liquor, but the specific ail-ment which threatened his life was in-clothes. Then Milask was assisted Then Milask was assisted in our dryness as Kansas. But, per-ladder. clothes. Then Milask was assisted in our dryness as down the ladder.

The first floor of the building in is breaking down.

which Milask lived was occupied by reach \$8000.

# FASCISTI AT TURIN From U. S. Delegates at Lausanne

Renewal of Conflict Results in It Deaths of Ten Persons Turin, Dec. 19.—(By A. P.)—Re-

newed conflicts between the Fascisti and the Communists here have resulted

# BOY SURVIVES SHOOTING

Recovery From 13 Perforations of Intestines Surprises Surgeons row's meeting must be the last. Oil City, Pa., Dec. 19.—Thirteen-year-old John Russell, who accidentally shot himself on November 29, was discharged from a hospital today after what sergeons termed the most remark-

able recovery from a major operation

on you want a used automobile?

The classified columns of the Evening Public Ledger list some of the best bargains to confined the fire to the bedroom. The found in Used Cars on page 32.—idv.

Mrs. Smith summoned firemen who and meet every requirement may be found quickly by consulting the Apartment column on page 34.—idv.

APARTMENTS TO SUIT EVERY PURSE and meet every requirement may be found quickly by consulting the Apartment column on page 34.—idv.

King Edward VII Hospital for officers.

# **WET STATES BALK** AIDING IN DRY LAW ENFORCEMEN'

Present Situation Due to Lack of Co-operation With Federal Authorities

WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE IS BARREN OF RESULTS

Governors Fail to Formulate Program—Four Moist States Unrepresented

By CLINTON W. GILBERT taff Correspondent Evening Public Ledger proright, 1922, by Public Ledger Company Washington, Dec. 19.-The Govrnors' conference at the White House

where it was before. The Governors from dry States agreed hat the law should be more strictly

left prohibition enforcement exactly

The Governors from wet States dis The four greatest wet States, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Illinois, were unrepresented. No program was adopted. No rem-

was suggested. As many of the Governors who were resent yesterday will go out of office n a few days, a new conference of lovernors will be held in January. Probably at that conference the great wet States will be represented. Most of them probably will follow the line taken by the two wet Governors yesterday, Ritchie, of Maryland, and Cox, of Massachusetts, dissenting from the

The situation in Maryland brought out by Governor Ritchie is interest-ing. There is no prohibition enforce-ment law in Maryland. Governor Ritchie is under no obligation to enforce prohibition. If the liquor traffic is to be stopped in Maryland it must be stopped by the Federal authorities.

other car were unavailing. Then some one obtained a jack from a nearby building operation and pried the autos. Now this situation may soon be dublicated in some of the other "wet". tiented in some of the other "wet" tates. New York proposes to repeal its enforcement law. The vote in the Legislature on this question will prob-ably be close, but there is a possibility the repeal going through. In that case the New York Governor will be under no obligation to prevent the sale of liquor. And the immense

H. Moore Struck While Walking upon the Federal nathorities. A similar situation exists in New With Wife, Who Escaped Injury | Jersey, which has just gone "wet" by

conscious form into the Moore house ernors' conference is to suggest that and then surrendered to the police. He the Federal Government is powerless to was held for a further hearing Friday enforce its own law. Never in the history of the country has there been such a suggestion of governmental inability Wales when the accident hap- help. And nothing particular happens Freed says he was blinded by The persons who are imbitually vio-from a passing machine. sentatives of wet States shrug their

shoulders. The difficulty of the situation is il-AT HADDONFIELD, N. J. trated right here, within a stone so throw of the conference which the President was holding with the Government of Washington is wetter foot of William Milask. Wife and Daughter ernors. Washington is wetter today than it was a year ago, in spite of the fact if the Federal Government has the power engagers of Haddonfield, N. J., were rescued during a fire at their home on King's Highway this morning by two firemen of the Haddon Volunteer. Those injured with Beck when the machine crashed into a telegraph pole are Mrs. Annie Beck, his wife; Walter and George Beck, his sons; Mary, a miditer, and two nuns, Sister Del Rosa and Sister Huberta.

The occupants of the car were expected by passers by and taken to the method of the table to the machine training to the car were expected by passers by and taken to the machine training to the car were expected by passers by and taken to the machine training trainin and that his pulse had dropped from on the second floor.

The firemen found them at the win- from a slice dealer to his home.

# DRAFT ON SATURDAY

Tchitcherin Tries to Draw Fire

Lausanne, Dec. 19.—(By A. P.)—
It is reported that a complete draft of the Peace Treaty drawn up as a result of the deliberations of the Near East Conference here will be presented. to the Turks on Saturday. and the Communists here have resulted in the killing of ten persons including body dealing with the question of the two of the Fascisti.

Today's session of the conference body dealing with the question of the Straits was adjourned at 2 P. M. until tomorrow without an agreement having been reached. The Turkish delegates were concilitary, but the Russians maintained an attitude of opposition. Lord Curzon announced that tomor-

> Foreign Minister Tchitcherin, of Russin, made an effort to draw fire from the American delegation. He argued that the American statement as to the attitude of the United States on to the attitude of the United States on the question of the Straits should be interpreted to mean that only warships on erran of mercy could go through the Straits to the Black Sea. The nor will be. on erran of mercy could go through the Straits to the Black Sea. The American representatives did not reply.

# PRINCE OPERATED ON

of George V

London, Dec. 19.—(By A. P.)—
Prince George, the King's youngest son, was successfully operated upon for

# Mother Gives Little Home to Save Accused Daughter

Sacrifice Unavailing, for Employer Has Girl Bookkeeper Arrested After He Got Money From Mortgage, Counsel Charges

Magistrate Renshaw's court in Cen- mother mortgaged her home to pay back tral Station yielded today the story of these funds?"

This also was denied as well as the gaged her home and gave her all that at the building and loan office during a her daughter might be saved being

brought to trial as a thief. The daughter is Anna McLoughlin, thirty years old. She is charged with having misappropriated funds aggregating \$10,000 from the automobile painting firm of Martin & Alexander, 2119 West Clearfield street. She was arrested yesterday in the little home at 1342 Catherine street, which no longer belongs to her mother. elongs to her mother.

Says Booldseeper Confessed At the preliminary hearing today Al-bert C. Alexander, head of the automobert C. Alexander, head of the automobile concern, testified that Miss Mc-Laughlin had been employed by him in October, 1919, as a bookkeeper, and that as a trusted employe she had charge of the funds in his absence. He explained that it was in December, 1921, that he first suspected her of tampering with these funds.

ampering with these funds.
He said that finally Miss McLaughlin owned up to her misappropriations, first putting them at \$1700, and later owning up writing that the amount was as high as \$6300.

He added that he believed the stolen funds would total \$10,000. It was at this stage in the hearing that William T. Connor, counsel for the defendant, by means of cross-ex-amination brought out the story of

Mrs. McLaughlin's self-sacrifice. Mother Mortgaged Home "Didn't you go to this girl's old

mother, who is almost seventy years old, and get \$4282.86?" Alexander admitted he had got this was unable to testify as to exact amount but claimed it had come from amounts,
the girl an not from her mother.

Miss McLaughlin was held under

certain sale of shares by Mrs. Mc-Laughlin. From my knowledge of the case

believe you and your lawyer are put-ting the screws on this girl and trying to get all you can out of her. Mr. Carson returned heatedly.

Miss McLaughlin has refused to make any statements as to what uses she made of the thousands of dollars she plifered as bookkeeper. Other than to say "I'm very sorry, Mr. Alexander, I've been taking money which didn't belong to me," she has not made explaint a google to be a solution according to be a solution. explation according to her former cm-

ployer. Hair Already Silvered During the preliminary hearing to

day she sat with rather an enigmatic expression. She was well-dressed. wearing a dark green, fur-collared coat and a black feathered turban. Atthough she has the face of a young girl

er hair is silver. It was also brought out that \$660 the amount paid to expert accountants for going over the books to discover the total of her daughter's defalcations was paid by Mrs. McLaughlin.

Amount of Theft Unknown Because of the failure to have these accountants on hand to testify as to the exact amount, the case today was held over for a further hearing Friday. Mr. Alexander, who it was charged by the defense, had made threats of prison for the girl unless the sum was paid. Parks.

"Weren't you present when this old \$1000 bail. This was furnished

# LAST-MINUTE NEWS

### BROAD STREET GARAGE DESTROYED BY FIRE

Fire partially destroyed a partly completed eight-story steelframe garage and auto show room under course of construction on Bread street above Master shortly after noon today.

BOMB FOUND NEAR BUCKINGHAM PALACE

LONDON, Dec. 19 .- Police found a grenade bomb in an ash cart at the rear of Buckingham Palace. It is a mystery how the bomb got there.

# STEAMER THUNDER BAY NOW POUNDING BEACH

BUFFALO, Dec. 19 .- The steamer Thunder Bay, which ran ashore at Morgan's Point, near Fort Colborne, Out., last Thursday, was reported today to be pounding heavily on the beach and in danger of breaking to. The coast guard took off the crew

# WORKMEN'S FUND "FIRE" PATROLMAN AUDIT IS DEMANDED ACCUSED OF BIGAMY this kind of thing." but the former Mayor answered chiphatlesilly, "No." Later, when Green's son, Ollie, took the stand for the Sinte he declared he was at the stand for the prisoners from the mine," said Ollie,

Auditor General to Reintroduce William Morrison, Gassed War Bill Smothered by Legisla-

Veteran, Fails to Appear Beture at Last Session fore Trial Commission

NO STATE SAFEGUARDS NOW FATHER ASKS LENIENCY

ing session of the Legislature which would enable him to audit the affairs of the Workmen's insurance Fund.

Trial Board and was dismissed from "Was your memory sometime, any better or worse than it is now?"

To which the witness replied coulds:
"I guess it's ne good as it ever was."

rate of interest on State deposits, Mr. Lewis said:

"The auditing powers of the Auditor General, as is well known, are mainly defined by the Act of 1811.

"This act, although passed many years ago, is very good in many respects, but as I have discovered in my recent experience in the audit of the State Treasury and as evidenced by certain opinions of the Attorney General, it is limited in his sequented by certain opinions of the Attorney General, it is limited in his sequented for thorough auditing and sateguarding certain funds and sateguarding certain funds.

The auditing powers of the Automosphale in the Bureau of Health. State funds and several more funds and several discovered with the relations of the funds.

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# WON'T HOLD INQUEST IN POISON CAKE DEATH

Coroner Neville has just made his return to court in the case of William know what he was doing when he con-

The coroner sets forth that there was no occasion to summon a jury to inquire into the cause of death, which, he says, he is satisfied resulted Surgeon Successful in Case of Son ing cake sent through the mail by some ne unknown to the authorities. Mrs. Sterrett, who also ate some of

For Christmas and the holidays serve a delicious cranberry nie of jelly roll. Make them from tatmer Cranberries!—Adv.

The effect of mustard gas overseas Harrisburg, Dec. 10.—Auditor General Lewis announced today his purpose of William Morrison, a foot traffic ["No." answered Greer, and State's however conformal. Then Duty asked to have a bill introduced at the com-ing session of the Legislature which failed to • ear for a hearing today ... He with numericable sensor. There are

smothered.

This session such a measure will, he believes, stand a good chance of being enacted into law.

In a prepared statement on the subject, the State Workmen's Insurance Fund, and his plan to obtain a higher rate of interest on State deposits. Mr.

Lewis said.

John Torrison, 2439 North College weight to defense's contention that Otls avenue, the accused man's father pleaded before the board for leviency had done all that was humanly possible on at your deposits of the lawyers and take the proposition of the stand, they're said.

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State put him on the stand, they're said of interest on State deposits. Mr.

Continued on Page Nincteen Column Five Miss Collins. Her deposition before the American consul was forwarded to Continued on Page police officials here who ordered Morrison before the board.

The elder Morrison said his son has MERCURY DOWN TO 17

acted queerly ever since his return from overseas. He was gassed there, the Coroner's Return in Sterrett Case father stated. The patrolman would Says Unknown Mailed it to Victim frequently pace the floor at his home and sometimes acted as though he was He insisted his son did

# CHILD DIES FROM BURNS

Mildred Street Girl Was Scalded by Pot of Coffee

Bertha Fittler, three years old, 2538 South Mildred street, died this morning in the Methodist Hospital from us snow or it may be rain. There's burns she received last Saturday, when she was scalded by a por of coffee.

The child was severaly burned about storm."

The child was severaly burned about storm." the face, arms and chest when, seated at the breakfast table with her mother. she pulled a pot of coffee from the table

# ORDERED THEIR **VICTIMS TO PRAY**

Physician, Drawn to Cemetery by Curiosity, Told of Horrors He Witnessed

DEFENSE TRIES VAINLY TO BREAK TESTIMONY

Dr. Shipman Says One Defendant Shot Man After He Was Down

STATE SCORES HEAVILY

Former Mayor of Herrin Testifies About March of Blood-Mad Rioters

### Herrin Defendant Marries in Jail

Marion, Ill., Dec. 19.—In the county jail here last evening Pete Hiller, one of the defendants in he Herrin massacre trial, married eventeen-year-old Anna Campbell. Hiller is twenty-two. The cere-mony was performed by Squire

Rufus Neely, lawyer for the defense, asked the defendant. "Where are you going to spend your honey-The prisoner and his associates laughed until the tears rolled down their faces. Sheriff Galligan was best man and

was enhanced by a gay wedding sup-per at the jail.

Mrs. Galligan bridesmaid. Romance

By a Staff Correspondent of the Evening Public Ledger Marion, Ill., Dec. 19 .- "Hostile witnesses" number among the problems that beset State's attorneys in their prosecution of the five defendants charged with the murder of Howard Hoffman during the Lester strip mine

riots at Herrin last June. During the closing moments of yesterday's session. Offic Greer took the stand for the State. His father, R. O.

Greer, former Mayor of Herrin, testified earlier in the day, "I saw about twenty-five armed men lead fifty unarmed non-union men from the strip mine," said the father. "They halted at Crenshaw Crossing. I saw Otis Clark there with a rifle; he waved it over his hend. He yelled like an Indian three or four times to attract the crowd, and then he cried; I've been in this field five years. I believe in

in this fight five years. I believe in putting a stop to this. I believe in taking these men out and kill 'em and stop the breed.'

In closs-evamination the defense class examination the defense In cross-sexamination the necessary asked the father whether Citis hadn't tently said. 'I am not in favor of doing this kind of thing,' but the former Mayor answered emphatically, 'No.'

State's Attorney Disappointed "I saw Otis Clark there. He had a nn, I heard Otis say. This kind of york ought to be stopped!" He used work ought to be stopped!" those words after he got into an argument with another man. I don't re-member what the other man said. State - Attorney Duty expected the witness to say more than that. Hished about a bit, and ther flually asked Green. Don't you remember

There was a bill to that effect in-troduced at the last session but was John Jorrison, 2439 North College weight to defense's contention that Otla

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At the elder Morrison's home now to the lawyers for the de-

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This is Coldest Day Recorded Here This Winter

The thermometer registered 17 degrees at 7 o'clock this morning, and that, according to the weather fore-caster, is the coldest here this winter. The closest to that figure was recorded on December 13, when the mercury

hit 22. Don't ask the Weather Man about a white ('hristmus, 'Well, maybe yes and maybe no,' he said, 'Can't tell—not yet. There's one storm working

The next couple of days are likely to be somewhat warmer.

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